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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

In re: Case No. 19-31444

INFRA TECHNOLOGY LLC Chapter 7

Debtor.

WHARTON COUNTY'S RESPONSE TO TRUSTEE'S MOTION FOR TAX DETERMINATION OF TAX LIABILITY PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C §505

TO THE HONORABLE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE:

NOW COMES, Wharton County and responds to the Trustee's Motion for Tax Determination of Tax Liability Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §505 (hereinafter "Motion") and in support thereof would respectfully show the Court as follows:

- 1. Wharton County is a political subdivision of the State of Texas.
- The property is Infra Technologies (hereinafter "Subject Property") located in Wharton County.
- 3. The Subject Property is identified by Wharton County Appraisal District as property identification number R075900.
- 4. The Subject Property's situs is HWY 59 Wharton County, Texas.
- 5. The Subject Property's legal description is BLOCK 1 LOT 1.
- 6. The assessed value of the Subject Property for tax year 2019 is \$11,886,300. See Exhibit A.
- 7. There are property taxes for tax year 2018-2019 on the Debtor's property located in Wharton County, Texas in the aggregated estimated amount of \$419.542.37. These property taxes have been duly assessed and constitute a valid, liquidated secured claim against the Debtor's property and are entitled to priority over other secured claims under 11 U.S.C. § 506.
- 8. Wharton County's claim is secured by unavoidable, perfected, first priority liens on

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the Debtors' real property pursuant to Texas Tax Code Sections 32.01 and 32.05 and 11 U.S.C. Section 362(b)(18). 11 U.S.C. Section 362(b)(18) permits the post-petition attachment of ad valorem property tax liens. Texas Tax Code Section 32.01 provides:

- a) On January 1 of each year, a tax lien attaches to property to secure the payment of all taxes, penalties, and interest ultimately imposed for the year on the property, whether or not the taxes are imposed in the year the lien attaches. The lien exists in favor of each taxing unit having power to tax the property.
- b) A tax lien on inventory, furniture, equipment, or other personal property is a lien *in solido* and attaches to all inventory, furniture, equipment, and other personal property that the property owner owns on January 1 of the year the lien attaches or that the property owner subsequently acquires.

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c) The lien under this section is perfected on attachment and ... perfection requires no further action by the taxing unit.

Texas Tax Code Section 32.05 provides:

- d)... a tax lien provided by this chapter takes priority over the claim of any creditor of a person whose property is encumbered by the lien and over the claim of any holder of a lien on property encumbered by the tax lien, whether or not the debt or lien existed before attachment of the tax lien.
- 9. The Trustee seeks relief from the Court to determine the tax value and/or tax liability for the 2019 tax year.
- 10. The Subject Property is a gas to liquid "GTL" plant, built with the intent to be used to produce commercial product. See Exhibit B, email correspondence of Dmitry Popov, VP Commercial for Debtor. Mr. Popov's statement is in direct contradiction of the Trustee's characterization of the property in Paragraph 6 of his Motion.

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- 11. Chapters 41 of the Texas Property Tax Code set forth the various procedures and timetables for compliance with a tax protest. Chapter 42 of the Texas Property Tax Code set forth the various procedures and timetables for any appeal to the district court of a decision of the Appraisal Review Board. In addition to these provisions, Section 25.25 of the Texas Property Tax Code provides further potential relief to a contesting taxpayer.
- 12. The Trustee has had the opportunity to file protest, pursuant to the Texas Property Tax Code Chapter 41.

 Wharton County asserts that the Trustee should be required to proceed under the processes available pursuant to applicable non-bankruptcy law to contest the 2019 ad valorem tax value.
- 13. "Once a debtor files for bankruptcy, it must manage and operate its property according to the requirements of valid non-bankruptcy law just as would an owner of that property out of bankruptcy." In *Re Village at Oakwell Farms, Ltd., 428 B.R. 372, 375* (Bankr. W.D. Tex. 2010). Here, it seems most appropriate that the trustee proceed with the systems already in place for determining this year's tax liability, rather than substituting this court for that process. *Id.*
- 14. Congress indicated its intent that the filing of a bankruptcy should not interfere with the ordinary assessment of taxes when it excepted such matters from the effects of the automatic stay pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 362(b)(9) and (b)(18). Chapter 41 and 42 affords the Trustee the appropriate statutory avenue to address his market value claims.
- 15. More specifically, through the Tax Injunction Act, all federal courts are prohibited from "enjoining, suspending or restraining the assessment, levy or collection of any tax under state law" if the state otherwise has a speedy and efficient procedure for resolution of tax disputes. 28 U.S.C § 1341.
- 16. In the current case, the Debtor entered into an agreement pursuant to Section 1.111(e) of the Texas Property Tax Code for tax year 2018, on the Subject Property Debtor describes as a gas to liquid "GTL" plant, built with the intent to be used to produce product for commercial product, with the Wharton County Appraisal District. See Exhibit C, Settlement and Waiver Agreement. Section 1.111(e) states that an

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agreement between a property owner or the owner's agent and the chief appraiser is final if the agreement relates to a matter:

- (1) which may be protested to the appraisal review board or on which a protest has been filed but not determined by the board; or
- (2) which may be corrected under Section 25.25 or on which a motion for correction under that section has been filed but not determined by the board.
- 17. The Debtor's 2018 agreement to an appraised value, for the Subject Property \$8,759,745 is final. The Trustee has a pending protest for the 2019 value of \$11,886,300. Debtor, or in this case, the Trustee, will be afforded the opportunity to present evidence and testimony regarding the value. After the protest hearing, a determination of value will be made. The Trustee states in its motion that the debtors obtained an appraisal in November 2018 and that the Subject Property was valued between \$400,000 and \$1,700,000. Upon information and belief, if documentation of this appraisal is provided to the Wharton County Appraisal District, this appraisal can be taken under consideration in determining the 2019 value.
- 18. Otherwise, since no information has been provided, at this point in time, to substantiate the Trustee's assertions, Wharton County must reply that they are confident that the methods used to determine their taxable values are the proper standard methods the appraisal districts are required to use under Texas law, and that therefore the values on which their taxes are predicated are accurate. Alternatively, the Respondent requests that the Trustee and the Appraisal Review Board have the opportunity to reach an agreement using the appraisal obtained by the Debtors.
- 19. There has also been no assertion by the Trustee that the administrative review procedures available under applicable non-bankruptcy law, and the local courts, cannot provide the relief requested.

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WHEREFORE, under the facts presented, the Court should require the Trustee to pursue statutory relief afforded by the Texas Property Tax Code, and deny the relief requested in this Motion for Determination of Tax Liability.

Dated: June 9, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

McCREARY, VESELKA, BRAGG & ALLEN, P.C.

/s/Tara LeDay

Tara LeDay

Attorney for Wharton County

P.O. Box 1269

Round Rock, TX 78680

Phone: (512) 323-3200

Fax: (512) 323-3205

/s/ Tara LeDay

Tara LeDay TX 24106701 Phone: (512) 323-3241

Email: tleday@mvbalaw.com

Exhibit A

Ownership Information Frame Ext Wall Find Roof Roofing Floor HVAC FirePl Baths PED TIDI HS/AG/IR Acres E CAWH6 GEO: 10688-001-001-00 PC4 R074403 Identification Information INFRA XTL TECHNOLOGY LLC 2323 S SHEPHERD DR #1106 HOUSTON TX 77019 Undivided Interest: 1.0000000 P.D Bldg Class COMMERCIAL RO75900 2/12/2019 RR Maip Grid: W Case 19 laighborhood D N/A To . Total Acres Map Nbr: W03 Bit Eff Main SF Ps/Adj Loc Fotr fot Price w/Features Value UDI Imp Total 5.2604 Eff Acres 5.2604 5.2604 INSPECT, WTR Account Codes Appr : PLoss: <u>*</u> Land Cap : Bit Eff HS M Sqft Type Psf Adj Tot Price will eature Cond Phys Func Econ Cmp% Value 229,143 SqFt \$157,812 Type : CF Property Information \$157,812 Vol \$157,812 Exm SITUS: 7391 HWY 59 INFRA TECHNOLOGY BLOCK 1 LOT 1 \$0 Xfer \$0 Page : 695 \$0 Juris : SWH GWH JRC RD1 ED1 ED3 WDCB CPU Adj Base Val Adj%Loc Fctr ⇒Adj Val UDI ∵jøfal Val Class ∖ CPU Juris / Exemptions / Deed / Map Info 30,000.00 Sale \$: \$ 229,145 Totals : 1012 ;_02/09/2016 SPECIAL DEED 157,812 157,812 ACRES: 5.2604 1.00 . 8 157,812 157,812 1.00 157,812 157,812 Other Other Land Topo LEVEL Street PAVED Fence Curb Sdwik

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Appraisal Year: 2019

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HUGH L. LANDRUM & ASSOCIATES, INC.

1110 NASA Parkway, Suite 400 Houston, Texas 77058

Wharton County Appraisal District ** REAL PROPERTY BREAKDOWN **

BUSINESS NAME & MAILING ADDRESS:

REAL PROPERTY ACCOUNT #:

R075900

Location Address:

2323 South Shepherd Drive

Houston, TX 77019

Attn: Tax Dept. Infra Technologies

Infra Technologies

7391 US-59, Wharton, TX 77488

BREAKDOWN OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CAD AS OF JANUARY 1, 2019

REAL PROPERTY New Construction Machinery & Equipment Construction in Progress Improvements 100% Value 2018 8,759,745 8,759,745 3,126,556 3,126,556 100% Value 2019 11,886,300 11,886,300

***** DOES NOT INCLUDE LAND VALUE *****

Jurisdiction Codes

GWH, SWH, JRC, RD1, ESD1,

ESD2, Cons Groundwater

Applied 10% obsolescence Plant is mechanically complete

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Inspection Date 04/29/19 Signature of Appraiser

04/29/19 Date

HUGH L. LANDRUM ASSOCIATES, INC.

Wharton County Appraisal District INDUSTRIAL SUMMARY

TAX YEAR: 2019

INFRA TECHNOLOGIES and related facilities

Infra Technologies

Infra Technologies ATTN: TAX DEPT 2323 SOUTH SHEPHERD DR HOUSTON, TX 77019

INFRA TECHNOLOGIES

Total Improvements

Account Number

65 SU 1957

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<u>Market Value</u> 11,835,540

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04170000010-0633530 Process Units 04170000010-0633530 Service Facilities

062,888,11

11,886,290

Total Taxable in All Jurisdictions

062,888,11

INFRA TECHNOLOGIES Total Appraised Value

Property Description

Total INFRA
TECHNOLOGIES

16,043,760

Taxable Value:

11,886,290 0

11,886,290

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Appraisal Summary

Appraisal Year: 2019

, TX	7391 US 59	INFRA TECHNOLOGIES
ATTN: TAX DEPT	Infra Technologies	Infra Technologies

2323 SOUTH SHEP HOUSTON, TX 770

Agent:

Agent Phone n/a

Appraiser:

Date Inspected: ####### Max Yu

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									Process Units

Exhibit B

popov@infratechnology.com

2323 South Shepherd Drive, Suite 1106, Houston, TX 77019

info@infratechnology.com

EXXXX

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On Jul 11, 2018, at 8:35 AM, Max Yu < max@hughlandrum.com > wrote:

Attached is the informal settlement for Infra Technologies.

Good morning,

Please check the correct box at the bottom half of the informal form and sign below. Whoever signs the form needs to print their name under "Agent Information"

Once I receive this form back from you, I will send you a signed copy for your records This will conclude the value hearing for 2018.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Thank you,

Max Yu

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Sent: Tuesday, July 10, 2018 4:57 PM From: Pablo Rendon [mailto:rendon@infratechnology.com]

Cc: Popov Dmitry To: Max Yu

Subject: RE: Infra Tech Inspection.

Max, After speaking with Dmitry, we would like to go ahead and agree to the value of (\$8,759,745) we received from you. Let us know what the next step is for the Importance: High

informal settlement. Thanks.

Pablo Rendon

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From: Max Yu < max@hughlandrum.com>

Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2018 12:14 PM

To: Pablo Rendon < rendon@infratechnology.com >

Subject: RE: Infra Tech Inspection.

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Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2018 9:57 AM From: Max Yu < max@hughlandrum.com>

To: Pablo Rendon < rendon@infratechnology.com>

Subject: RE: Infra Tech Inspection.

Pablo,

I am willing to apply a 35% functional obsolescence due to the plant having start-up issues.

The assessed value will be \$8,759,745.

Max Yu

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From: Pablo Rendon [mailto:rendon@infratechnology.com]

Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2018 9:46 AM

Subject: RE: Infra Tech Inspection. To: Max Yu

Max,

Thanks for you reply. Ill try and get this information to you. At this point right now what value do you give the plant? Thanks.

Accountant Pablo Rendon

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Sent: Tuesday, June 12, 2018 9:36 AM From: Max Yu < max@hughlandrum.com>

To: Pablo Rendon < rendon@infratechnology.com>

Subject: RE: Infra Tech Inspection.

Good morning Mr. Rendon,

Thank you for getting in touch.

Mr. Popov stated that the plant is physically complete, but it seems like they are having issues with the start-up of the plant.

Also, is there any official documents showing the capacity of the plant? If you could give me some information in regards to when the plant will actually be fully functional, I would greatly appreciate it. We are assessing as of January $f 1^{st}$ of this year so I am willing to add some functional obsolescence due to start up issues.

Thank you,

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INFRA Technology LLC

From: Popov Dmitry

Sent: Monday, May 14, 2018 4:48 PM

To: Max Yu < max@hughlandrum.com>

Cc: Pablo Rendon < rendon@infratechnology.com>

Subject: Re: Infra Tech Inspection.

Dear Max,

Best regards,

The plant is still under Construction in Progress. It is no so much about adding more hardware, it is that the start-up will take several more months.

Dmitry Popov

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On May 14, 2018, at 8:11 AM, Max Yu < max@hughlandrum.com > wrote:

Good morning Mr. Dmitry,

Regarding Construction in Progress, what percent complete was the plant at as of January $\mathbf{1}^{st}$ of 2018? Last year value was under Construction in Progress. When will this plant be operational?

Regards,

Max Yu

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Sent: Sunday, May 13, 2018 3:29 PM From: Popov Dmitry [mailto:popov@infratechnology.com]

To: Max Yu

Subject: Re: Infra Tech Inspection.

Cc: Pablo Rendon

Following your conversation with my colleague, Pablo Rendon, I would like to confirm that our plant still is not operational. Dear Max,

clarifications, as required. I would appreciate, therefore, if the property value assessment for this year remains the same. I would be glad to provide any further

Best regards,

Dmitry Popov

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On Apr 10, 2017, at 8:49 AM, Max Yu < max@hughlandrum.com > wrote:

Good morning Mr. Popov,

If you could get me the exacts numbers for both land improvements and the fencing I would greatly appreciate it.

Thank you,

Max Yu

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From: Popov Dmitry [mailto:popov@infratechnology.com]
Sent: Friday, April 07, 2017 5:03 PM

To: Max Yu

Subject: Re: Infra Tech Inspection.

Dear Max,

Yes, your information about the plant is correct.

In response to your questions:

- 3) 2) 1) The intention is to produce the product for commercial sales.
- The plant was not complete as of January 1^{st} of 2017 and the total investment was approximately \$15 million.
- Yes, natural gas is piped into the plant.
- 4) There are no current plans to increase capacity.
- the site at the total cost of approximately \$250k. Would you require the exact numbers? 5) Land improvements included ground stabilization, gas pipeline connection to the site, electricity connection to the site, water pipeline to The fencing around the property cost approximately \$50k. Would you require the exact number?
- 9876 There are no buildings on the property

 - The plant is going through the start-up and according to the schedule it will be operational by 07/01/2017.
- Once operational, the facility will have 13 employees.
- There are no other improvements.

Best regards,

VP Commercial **Dmitry Popov**

Tel.: +1 (346) 201-55-

45 ext. 1010

Mob.:+1 (832) 846-60-15

Date: Wednesday, April 5, 2017 at 4:14 PM From: Max Yu < max@hughlandrum.com>

Subject: FW: Infra Tech Inspection. To: Popov Dmitry <popov@infratechnology.com>

Mr. Popov,

Just wanted to let you know I will not be in the office tomorrow or Friday. If you have any questions please email; as I will be checking it regularly.

Thank you,

Max Yu

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From: Max Yu [mailto:max@hughlandrum.com]

Sent: Tuesday, April 04, 2017 11:17 AM

To: 'Popov Dmitry'

Subject: Infra Tech Inspection.

Hello Mr. Popov,

I appreciate you returning my call earlier.

As I mentioned before I will ask you a few questions regarding the property; this is for property tax purposes.

It is a Gas to Liquid plant converting natural gas to liquid synthetic crude. I did a little bit of research regarding Infra Tech. The plant at Wharton is a Infra M100, and if I am not mistaken its footprint is 4000 sq feet.

commercial sales? Is this plant a pilot plant just for testing if the technology works? Or is will it be producing product at near or max capacity for

- As of January 1st of 2017 was this plant complete? o How much was invested in this project?
- Is natural gas piped into the plant?
- Is there any future plans to increase capacity or efficiency in coming years?
- How much was invested into the infrastructure?
- How much was the buildings on the property? If any. How much was the fencing around the property?
- You mentioned on the phone that the plant is going through a start-up. When will the plant be fully operational?
- How many employees are employed at this facility?

Is there any other improvements (buildings, guard shack, paving, etc.) that I did not mention?

If so, what was the cost.

If you have any questions, please feel free to email or call. I will be using this information to come up with a value of the plant for property tax purposes

Thank you,

Max Yu

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From:

ö Sent:

Subject:

'Pablo Rendon' Tuesday, March 19, 2019 9:03 AM Max Yu <max@hughlandrum.com>

Infra Tech 2019 Update

Thank you,

Good morning Pablo,

Can you give me a status update on the Infra Technology plant in Wharton?

Hugh L. Landrum & Associates, Inc. Max Yu

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Exhibit C

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Agreement - Prior to Notice							مطاة استعادت			
I agree to the action recommended above and waive my notice of appraised value and right to protest for the above tax year. I understand the settled value set for the above will be final and not subject to further protest or appeal should the chief appraiser approve the agreement								agreement. I		
	the settled value set for the above will be final and not subject to further protest or appeal should the chief appraiser approve the agreement understand that I will be notified and will have an opportunity to protest in the event the agreement is not approved.									
4	Agreement -	After Notice								
	I agree to the action	recommended above. I understa	nd that the settled value	e set fo	orth above wi	be final	and not	t subject to furti If applicable, ar	ner protest or nd walve my	
	appeal should the chief appraiser approve the agreement. Contingent upon that approval, I withdaw my request, if applicable, and walve my right to further proceedings. I understand that I will be notified and will have an opportunity to pursue my protest to the Appraisal Review Board,									
	if applicable, in the event the agreement is not approved.									
	No Agreement									
	I disagree with the value proposed by the Wharton County Appraisal District and therefore request that the Appraisal Review Board accept this as my official notice of protest and schedule my account for a formal hearing.									
Z	Check if in Agreement									
	I understand that	this settlement will be sent to	all appraisal districts	respo	nsible for a	ppraisin	g the s	ubject proper	ty(les). I	
	furthermore agree	e that this settlement will be fir to appeal to the following distri	nal as to those appre	alsal di	stricts snou	ila tney i	aury un	ış şettlement.	Accordingly	
	I waive any right t	o appear to the following distri								
Lown the proper	ty shove or the owner h	nas authorized me to represent the	e property. I affirm und	der pena	alty of law the	at the info	rmatlor	and document	is I have	
presented to rep	presentatives of Wharto	n County Appraisal District are tru	e and correct. I under	stand th	nat all such d	dcument	s shall t	become part of	the governme	
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Appraiser	M	#74084 Supe	ervisor		#		Chief	Appraiser B	_	
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Applied 35% obsolescence due to start-up issues.

Plant is mechanically complete

HUGH L. LANDRUM & ASSOCIATES, INC.

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Wharton County Appraisal District

** REAL PROPERTY BREAKDOWN **

REAL PROPERTY ACCOUNT #:

R075900

BUSINESS NAME & MAILING ADDRESS:

Attn: Tax Dept.

Infra Technologies

2323 South Shepherd Drive

Houston, TX 77019

Location Address:

Infra Technologies

7391 US-59, Wharton, TX 77488

BREAKDOWN OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CAD AS OF JANUARY 1, 2018

2017

2018

8,759,745 8.759.745 100% Value -7,525,000 1,234,745 7,525,000 7,525,000 100% Value Construction in Progress Machinery & Equipment 4. New Construction REAL PROPERTY Improvements Total

***** DOES NOT INCLUDE LAND VALUE ****

Jurisdiction Codes

GWH, SWH, JRC, RD1, ESD1,

ESD2, Cons Groundwater

Signature of Appraiser

04/02/18 Date

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Inspection Date